

FY2026 - Budget In Review

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Agenda

- K-12 Funding
- Pre-K Average Daily Membership Districts
- Major Maintenance/Capital Projects
- Expanding Education Opportunities
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K-12 Funding

Foundation Funding: Alaska's primary vehicle for distributing funds to school districts

- Educational dollars in the Foundation Program \$1.3 billion
- HB57 increased the BSA from \$5,960 to \$6,660 (\$700 increase per student)
- HB57 Pupil Transportation increased by 10%
- Revised Payment Structure – reflecting the increased BSA

Pre-K Average Daily Membership Districts

- Since 2023, participation has continued to grow.
- 13 districts throughout Alaska: Anchorage, Annette Island, Bering Strait, Chatham, Fairbanks, Kenai, Ketchikan, Mat-Su, North Slope, Petersburg, Skagway, Southeast Island, and Valdez.
- Anticipated ADM for FY2026 – 124,679.35
- Data collection begins in October, with the final report expected in the first quarter of 2026

Major Maintenance Funding

Building a bright future for Alaska's students

- Regional Education Attendance Area (REAA) received \$17.2 million
- FY2026 total: \$39,063,647
- FY2026 will see an increase in major maintenance projects – from three to **SIX!**

DEED's School Facilities Team – Bringing the CHEER early this year!

School District	Project Name	DEED Recommended Amount
Yukon-Koyukuk	Koyukuk K-8 School Boiler Replacement	\$969,318
Iditarod Area	Blackwell K-12 School Renovation, Anvik, Supplemental	\$6,715,411
Northwest Arctic Borough	Districtwide Fire System Replacement, six sites	\$5,290,272
Kenai Peninsula Borough	Soldotna High School Exterior Repair	\$3,954,358
Anchorage	King Tech High School Roof Replacement	\$2,489,063
Pribilof Island	St. Paul K-12 School HVAC System Upgrades	\$4,161,175
Lower Kuskokwim	William N Miller K-12 School Replacement, Demolition, Napakiak - Supplemental	\$6,781,083
Lower Kuskokwim	Newtok K-12 School Relocation/Replacement, Wastewater, Mertarvik - Supplemental	\$7,036,300
Northwest Arctic Borough	Deering K-12 School Replacement – Partial Award	\$45,497,711

Expanding Education Opportunities

The FY2026 budget increased access to expanded opportunities outside of K-12

- HB 148: 4.6% increase in student financial aid programs
- FY2026 Budget:
 - Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS): \$2,404.2 million
 - Career and Technical Education (within APS): \$960,000
 - The Alaska Education Grant: \$1,235.3 million

Department Budget Highlights

FY2026 Reductions

Teacher Recruitment and Retention (TRR) **Reduction** - \$1.5

Career and Technical Education (CTE) **Reduction** - \$1.2

School Board/Commissioner Travel **Reduced** - \$132.6

Educational programs continuing via prioritization

- ✓ Growing apprenticeships for teachers and principals, and alternative certifications
 - ✓ Expanding access to career guidance in rural districts
 - ✓ Expanding programming for electrical and plumbing careers
- ✓ Maintaining support for Career and Technical Student Organizations

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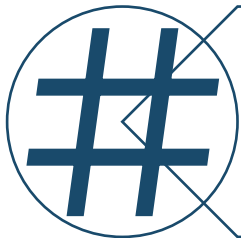
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